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**Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**  
**Expedited Procedure Requested**  
**Examining Group 2811**

**PATENT**  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 04329.2686

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Yoshiaki SUGIZAKI, et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 2811
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Application No.: 09/972,855	)	Examiner: Im, Junghwa M.
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Filed: October 10, 2001	)	
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE	)	
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**MAIL STOP - AF**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed July 13, 2004, with a period for response extending through October 13, 2004, Applicants propose amending the application as follows, and request the Examiner's reconsideration in view of the following remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.